House Resolution No. 3076

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself as a leader of his community; and

Whereas, George W. Watson, an esteemed resident of Pleasant Hope, Missouri, is to be commended for the enviable list of service he has compiled to his community as a proponent of the Fire and Rescue Services; and

Whereas, George Watson has provided stellar volunteer service to the City of Pleasant Hope, Polk County, and to the state of Missouri, often going above and beyond the call of duty; and

Whereas, George Watson has spent endless hours on self education and instruction to the Fire and Rescue Services, and has put forth a tremendous amount of effort to establish a vision for and programs to implement fire service education locally and nationally; and

Whereas, George Watson served as the Fire Chief of Pleasant Hope Fire and Rescue, Fire Science Instructor for Ozark Technical College and the University of Missouri, and Director of Transportation at Citizens Memorial Hospital; and

Whereas, a student at Ozark Technical College, George Watson is the proud recipient of several awards and accolades that include the Gene Adams Service Award, CMH Emergency Services 1992 Volunteer of the Year award, and the Polk County Rescue Services Service Award, just to name a few; and

Whereas, an EMT, CPR Instructor, Hazardous Materials Technician, and founding member of the Polk County Fire and Rescue Training Association, George Watson has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, Angie Watson, and his two children, Shannon and Clint, both of Pleasant Hope:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to George Watson for his many years of tireless service and dedication to the Fire and Rescue Services, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for George W. Watson.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3076, adopted May 14, 2004.